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First World Angling Conference Sept. 12—18 at Cap D'Agde, France

Fishing enthusiasts from around the world will gather Sept. 12—18, 1984 at Cap D'Agde on the Mediterranean coast of France for the first World Angling Conference, sponsored by the International Game Fish Association.

The conference opens on Wednesday, Sept. 12 with registration, orientation and an evening buffet party. The next three days (Thursday, Friday and Saturday) will include a scheduled agenda of panels, speakers and audio-visual presentations.

A day-long International Fishing Film Festival on Sunday will feature the best films on all types of fishing from around the world. More conference sessions on fishing topics are set for Monday, and another full day of fishing films is scheduled on Tuesday.

"This is a unique opportunity to hear expert viewpoints on sportfishing subjects, exchange ideas with anglers and authorities from around the world, and enjoy a vast amount of fishing film presentations," said IGFA President E.K. Harry.

Judging from early response, attendance will be even greater than anticipated, and a highly successful conference has been assured, he added.

The conference marks a major milestone in fishing history, and those attending will share in the experience. Never before has an angling conference of such magnitude attracting so many experts in the sport of fishing been undertaken.

For several years IGFA has recognized the need for holding a World Angling Conference, Harry pointed out. Environmental problems, water pollution and contamination, reduction of fishing habitat, dwindling stocks of many species, and various other problems facing anglers of the world have been escalating at an alarming rate. Problems relating to government management of fishing waters are increasing in most parts of the world.

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The spacious, modern Centre de Congrès will be focal point for world's anglers.

Special Air Fares for Conference

Special reduced air fares have been arranged for persons leaving from the United States to attend the International Game Fish Association's first World Angling Conference at Cap D'Agde on the Mediterranean coast of France, September

ber 12-18, 1984.

Details on the travel discount can be obtained by writing or calling Master Travel Agency, 2925 East Las Olas Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316-1616, telephone (305) 462-2100, or IGFA headquarters, 3000 East Las Olas Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316-1616, telephone (305) 467-0161.

Non-stop flights have been arranged from New York, Los Angeles and Houston. The round-trip fare from New York is \$752; from Houston, \$1,081, and from Los Angeles, \$1,102, based on Monday through Thursday travel.

These round-trip fares include nonstop flights via Air France to Paris, transfer between Charles de Gaulle and Orly airports, the flight to Montpellier, and ground transportation between Montpellier and your hotel in Cap D'Agde

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New Publications

This column is a service to members and lists recent books received by IGFA for review. The publications are usually available in bookstores or can be ordered direct from the publisher. IGFA neither sells nor benefits from the sale of any books listed, though we will gladly help with ordering information for members in countries where the publications are not available.

Letters to a Salmon Fisher's Sons

A.H. Chaytor. Andre Deutsch Ltd., distributed by David & Charles, Inc. (North Pomfret, Vermont 05053), 1983, 316 pp., illustrated, \$12.95 paper.

A.H. Chaytor's book was published in 1910 and a fourth edition was presented in 1936. This classic book is a distillation of wisdom, experience and lore covering every aspect of salmon fishing, and written in the form of letters to his two sons, Drewett and Kit, with all the love and enthusiasm of the true angler.

Pike: an In-Fisherman Handbook of Strategies

Compiled by Bob Ripley. Al Lindner's Outdoors, Inc. (P.O. Box 999, Brainerd, MN 56401), 1983, 244 pp., illustrated, \$11.95 paper.

Experts on pike fishing introduce several new concepts on how to deal with this ferocious battler. There's a good bit of biological and historical examination, too, and an end put to some myths. Secrets, tips and tricks are passed on to you.

The Fisherman's Boating Book

Bob Stearns. Winchester Press (220 Old New Brunswick Road, Piscataway, NJ 08854), 1984, 160 pp., illustrated, \$10.95. Autographed copies available for \$12.95 from: Boat Books, 9000 SW 103 Avenue, Miami, FL 33176.

Bob Stearns is boating and saltwater fishing editor for *Field & Stream*. A resident of Florida, he has fished all over the world, and he passes on information on all types of fishing craft, including how to make modifications to improve the fishing efficiency of your craft.

The Orvis Fly-Fishing Guide

Tom Rosenbauer. Winchester Press (220 Old New Brunswick Road, Piscataway, NJ 08854), 1984, 246 pp., illustrated, \$17.95 hardcover, \$13.95 paper.

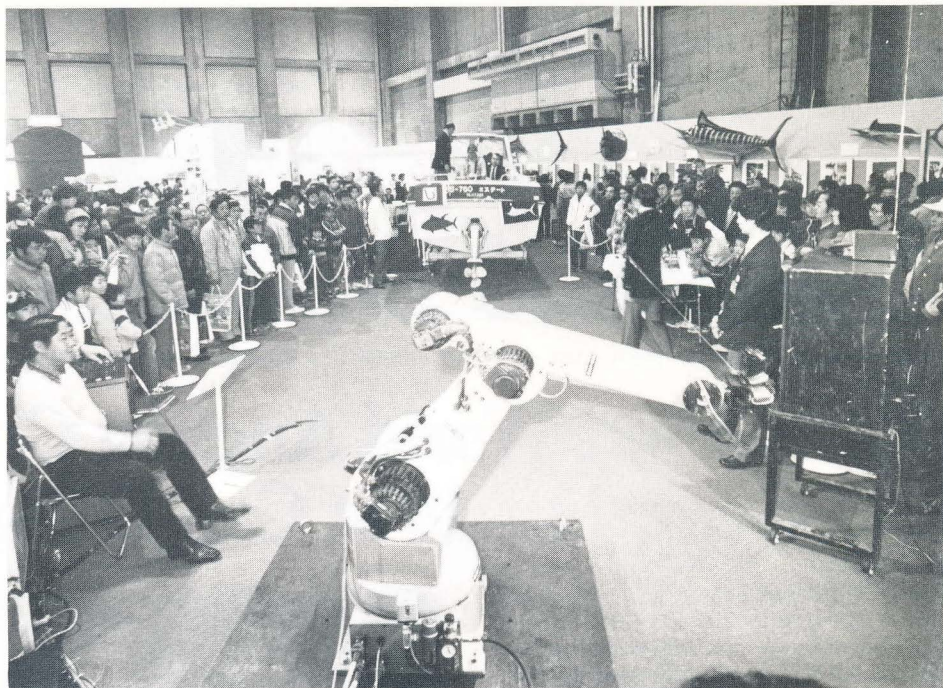
All of the important elements and types of fly fishing are presented: tackle selection, casting, presentation, flies and their special uses; successful techniques on stream, pond or ocean.

Basic Bait Fishing

Ray Ovington. Stackpole Books (P.O. Box 1831, Harrisburg, PA 17105), 1983, 160 pp., illustrated, \$9.95 paper, \$.63 for shipping.

Ray Ovington has been fishing for 60 years and has written 37 books on different aspects of outdoor recreation. In this

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'ROBOT MARLIN' BIG HIT IN TOKYO—One of the highlights of the 22nd Tokyo Fishing Show was this computerized "marlin" exhibited by the Japan Game Fish Association. Anglers were invited to "fish" from the boat while the robot simulated the moves of a marlin. More than 70,000 spectators attended the four-day show, reported IGFA Representative Hidenori Onishi, president of the JGFA.

Released Fish's Survival Chances Excellent If You Follow a Few Simple Procedures

More and more sportfishermen are releasing their prize catches, hoping the big beauties will be around another day, perhaps even growing to world record size. Cameras, scales and tags have become standard equipment for many anglers who document the happy moment before giving the fish his freedom.

What are the fish's chance of survival? Good, if you'll remember a few simple procedures, most of which involve using common sense. Here are some of the basic precautionary measures to use when releasing the fish.

1. Play and release the fish as rapidly as possible. A fish played gently for too long may be too exhausted to recover.

2. Keep the fish in the water as much as possible. A fish out of water for more than three or four minutes suffers brain damage due to loss of oxygen. In addition, he is suffocating and may pound himself fatally if allowed to flop on land or boat deck.

3. Gentleness in handling is essential. Keep your fingers out of the gills. Do not squeeze small fish; lift and hold them by the lower lip. Nets are helpful provided the mesh does not become entangled in the gills.

4. Remove the hook as rapidly as possible with longnosed pliers unless the fish is deeply hooked, in which case cut the leader and leave the hook in. Small fish,

especially, may die from shock from tearing out a hook. A freely bleeding fish should be kept for the pan.

5. Revive the fish if it appears stunned or unconscious after a long struggle. Hold the fish in the water upright, heading upstream. Move the fish forward and backward so that water runs through the gills. This is artificial respiration and may take a few minutes. When it revives, begins to struggle and try to swim away, then release it.

There's another problem common among fishes caught at great depths. The gases in their swimbladders expand, causing them to float at the surface. In this condition, they are unable to return to the depths where they were caught. Fortunately, there's a simple method to release the gases. Simply puncture the inflated bladder with a sharp instrument.

Vern Hacker of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, experimenting with lake trout, found a hypodermic needle best for the job. The hollow needle allows the gases to escape quickly, and evidence shows the small needle wounds heal quickly. He suggests that a No. 17 gauge, 2½-inch hypodermic needle become part of your tackle box standard contents.

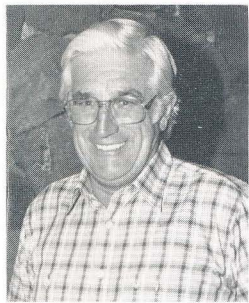
Remember, the fish whose life you save could become somebody's world record—maybe yours.

New Representatives

International Game Fish Association Representatives act as a liaison between sport fishermen in their areas and IGFA headquarters. Chosen for their integrity, fishing knowledge, and concern for sportsmanship and conservation, they keep IGFA informed of local sportfishing activities, promote ethical angling practices, and help to oversee world record catch claims in their areas. All International Committee members contribute their services without remuneration of any kind.

John R. Chibnall, Auckland, New Zealand—Mr. Chibnall's interest in game fishing began when he was 17, and 37 years later his enthusiasm is

neither blunted nor static. His quest for different fishing experiences has taken him to many areas—Mexico, United States, South Africa, Fiji, Australia, Hawaii and throughout New Zealand. Mr. Chibnall is well known for his work with the Bay of Islands Swordfish Club in Auckland. A founding member and current president of the club, Mr. Chibnall was the prime force behind the Bay of Islands highly successful International Billfish tournament now in its 12th year. For the last 10 years he has served on the Board of Governors of the Hawaiian International Billfish Association and the Pacific Game Fish Foundation. He had the thrill and pleasure of catching a 1,200 lb black marlin at Cairns, and once held the world record for southern yellowtail. Mr. Chibnall is well known for his energetic commitment to furthering the sport of game fishing and is a highly respected member of New Zealand's fishing fraternity.



Dr. Federico García Capurro, Montevideo, Uruguay—A doctor specializing in radiology and radiotherapy, Dr. García has had 12 books published. Until 1971 when he retired from medicine, he gave more than 115 lectures in Uruguay and abroad, took part in 24 scientific expositions and published 201 scientific papers. He served four terms as a Cabinet Minister for Public Health; Education and Culture; Transportation, Communications and Tourism, and National Defense. From 1935 to the present Dr. García



Pacific Billfish Catches 'Up', According to Angler Survey

Fewer anglers needed less time and caught more billfish during 1982 than in 1981, according to the annual Pacific Billfish Angler Survey conducted each year since 1969 by the National Marine Fisheries Service, Southwest Fisheries Center, La Jolla, California.

In 1982, the total number of billfish angler days reported in the Pacific and Indo-Pacific Ocean totaled 9,949, a decrease of 1,201 fishing days from the 1981 figure of 11,150. The total number of billfish reported in 1982 was 5,058, an increase of 898 over the 4,160 billfish caught in 1981.

It took an average of 1.96 days per billfish (a catch rate of 0.51 fish per day) in 1982 versus the 1981 figures of 2.68 and 0.37.

The survey determines the trend of the billfish catch rate in important recreational fishing areas throughout the Pacific. Declining catch rates for both commercial longline and recreational fisheries have concerned many anglers. The survey assists in determining the degree of impact on the anglers' catch rate in certain areas of the Pacific.

The results of the survey are expressed in terms of catch per unit effort (CPUE).

has been a leader in the Partido Colorado, a major political party in Uruguay. From 1972-1976 he served as a member of the executive board of UNESCO in Paris. Despite his busy professional life, Dr. García found time to fish and travel and stay active in 10 social and sporting clubs, including his role as commodore of the Punta del Este Yacht Club.

John David Marshall, Barbados—A Barbadian National, Mr. Marshall says he has lived "all my life on the sea front and been fishing since a very young age." A telecommunications technician by profession, he has fished in England, the United States, Canada and most of the Eastern Caribbean Islands. His experience has covered light line, spin-fishing and trolling in fresh water and salt water. "I have gained considerable experience in fishing for a wide variety of fishes by various methods, in different geographical areas, both by fishing and observing others." He was over-all champion for 1982-83 in the Barbados Game Fishing Club tournaments, and he has won trophies in the Grenada Marlin Tour-



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The unit of effort is the "angler day" which represents the amount of effort expended by the billfish angler during the day. The CPUE rates represent an average rate experienced by all billfish anglers who fished any one area. The catch rates may differ according to variations in availability and catchability of billfish in the areas and the abundance level of the stock that the fishery is operating upon.

Trends in Billfish Catches

What is important is the trend of the catch rate (CPUE) over a period of time. The trend in terms of billfish per day is given for striped marlin (California, USA; Baja California Sur and Mazatlan, Mexico), blue marlin (Hawaiian Islands), black marlin (Queensland, Australia), and Pacific sailfish (Baja California, Acapulco and Mazatlan, Mexico).

In 1982, anglers responding to the survey form reported the following numbers per species: blue marlin, 434; black marlin, 481; striped marlin, 2,487; Pacific sailfish, 1,656. There were no reported catches of short-billed spearfish.

The 1982 catch rate for striped marlin caught off southern California was 0.62 fish per day, up from 1981. Sailfish catch rates continued to be about 0.9 fish per day for Acapulco. Panama recorded 1.11 and Costa Rica 1.15 sailfish per day. The CPUE for black marlin remained near the average observed since 1978, 0.47 fish per day. The blue marlin CPUE of 0.19 was near the mark of 0.20 fish per day since 1977.

1983 Billfish Survey Underway

The amount of information available on the catch per unit of effort for the recreational billfish fishery is small compared to information available for commercial fisheries. This survey form is sent to members of the International Game Fish Association as well as other fishing clubs throughout the Pacific area. Survey cards have been enclosed with this edition of the International Angler. Your help is important to the future management of billfish resources. All who fished for billfish in the Pacific during 1983 are urged to complete the form whether or not they actually caught a billfish; the effort expended is an important part of the data.

In addition, anglers are reminded that a billfish tagged and released, or released, is considered as caught. Additional survey forms can be obtained by contacting: James L. Squire, Jr., Fishery Biologist (Research), U.S. Dept. of Commerce NOAA/NMFS, Southwest Fisheries Center, P.O. Box 271, La Jolla, California 92038 USA. By completing the form you will be placed on the annual Billfish Newsletter issued by the National Marine Fisheries Service.

FRESHWATER

SPECIES	LINE CLASS	WEIGHT	PLACE	DATE	ANGLER
*Bass (reduye)	4 kg (8 lb)	2.72 kg (6 lb)	Flint River Dam Albany, Georgia, USA	Feb. 7, 1984	Bart Vallandingham
Bass (reduye)	4 kg (8 lb)	2.92 kg (6 lb 7 oz)	Flint River Albany, Georgia, USA	Feb. 15, 1984	Pete Vann
Bass (spotted)	Tie All-Tackle & 4 kg (8 lb)	4.10 kg (9 lb)	Lake Parris California, USA	Feb. 5, 1984	Jeffrey L. Mathews
Bowfin	15 kg (30 lb)	5.66 kg (12 lb 8 oz)	Kissimmee River Florida, USA	Feb. 5, 1984	Edward V. Jennings, Jr.
Bullhead (brown)	Tie 1 kg (2 lb)	0.74 kg (1 lb 10 oz)	Hillsborough County Florida, USA	Jan. 15, 1984	Joe Koval
Bullhead (yellow)	6 kg (12 lb)	0.58 kg (1 lb 4 oz)	Ft. Lauderdale Florida, USA	Jan. 24, 1984	Robert Janzer
Catfish (flathead)	10 kg (20 lb)	3.65 kg (8 lb)	Tennessee River Kentucky, USA	Feb. 4, 1984	Ken Clayton
Gar (Florida)	10 kg (20 lb)	2.11 kg (4 lb 10 oz)	Turner River Ochopee, Florida, USA	Feb. 17, 1984	Frank C. Craparo
Pike (northern)	1 kg (2 lb)	10.54 kg (23 lb 4 oz)	Great Horden Lake Kent, England, UK	Jan. 8, 1984	John Pearn
Sauger	1 kg (2 lb)	0.73 kg (1 lb 10 oz)	Mississippi River Wisconsin, USA	Jan. 23, 1984	Michael C. Foreman
Sunfish (reduer)	6 kg (12 lb)	0.56 kg (1 lb 4 oz)	Mountain Lake Pine Mountain, Georgia, USA	Feb. 15, 1984	James William Harrison
Tigerfish	All-Tackle & 6 kg (12 lb)	28.00 kg (61 lb 11 oz)	Lake Tanganyika Zambia, Africa	Feb. 4, 1984	Don Hunter
Trout (brown)	1 kg (2 lb)	5.44 kg (12 lb)	White River Arkansas, USA	Jan. 14, 1984	Tony Salamon
Trout (cutthroat)	10 kg (20 lb)	2.37 kg (5 lb 3 oz)	Bear Lake Utah, USA	Jan. 17, 1984	Terry A. Baird
Trout (lake)	1 kg (2 lb)	10.99 kg (24 lb 4 oz)	Flaming Gorge Reservoir Utah, USA	Jan. 20, 1984	Ray Johnson
*Trout (rainbow)	24 kg (50 lb)	6.40 kg (14 lb 1 oz)	Salmon River Pulaski, New York, USA	Feb. 5, 1984	Jack R. Sangle, Jr.
Trout (rainbow)	24 kg (50 lb)	7.08 kg (15 lb 10 oz)	Salmon River Pulaski, New York, USA	Feb. 12, 1984	Jack R. Sangle, Jr.

FRESHWATER FLYROD

SPECIES	TIPPET CLASS	WEIGHT	PLACE	DATE	ANGLER
Pickere (chain)	1 kg (2 lb)	1.36 kg (3 lb)	Orange Lake Citra, Florida, USA	Feb. 3, 1984	Virgil L. Patterson
*Pickere (chain)	2 kg (4 lb)	0.82 kg (1 lb 13 oz)	Orange Lake Citra, Florida, USA	Jan. 8, 1984	Virgil L. Patterson
Pickere (chain)	2 kg (4 lb)	1.04 kg (2 lb 4 oz)	Boiling Springs Lakes North Carolina, USA	Jan. 25, 1984	Wayne Lee Sprye

SALTWATER

SPECIES	LINE CLASS	WEIGHT	PLACE	DATE	ANGLER
Amberjack (greater)	M-1 kg (2 lb)	1.21 kg (2 lb 11 oz)	Key West Florida, USA	Feb. 13, 1984	Robert W. Felisian
Amberjack (greater)	W-1 kg (2 lb)	1.19 kg (2 lb 10 oz)	Key West Florida, USA	Feb. 13, 1984	Beverly M. Felisian
Amberjack (greater)	W-2 kg (4 lb)	1.07 kg (2 lb 6 oz)	Key West Florida, USA	Feb. 13, 1984	Beverly M. Felisian
Amberjack (greater)	M-8 kg (16 lb)	48.98 kg (108 lb)	Key West Florida, USA	Jan. 12, 1984	Jim Anson
Barracuda (great)	M-8 kg (16 lb)	29.80 kg (65 lb 11 oz)	Port Michel Gabon, Africa	Jan. 22, 1984	Anestis Arnopoulos
*Barracuda (great)	W-8 kg (16 lb)	14.90 kg (32 lb 13 oz)	Port Michel Gabon, Africa	Jan. 28, 1984	Stanka Tuovich
Barracuda (great)	W-8 kg (16 lb)	16.40 kg (36 lb 2 oz)	Port Michel Gabon, Africa	Jan. 30, 1984	Sylvie Gremmo
Cod (Pacific)	M-1 kg (2 lb)	2.52 kg (5 lb 9 oz)	Puget Sound Washington, USA	Jan. 29, 1984	William J. Harris, Jr.
Cod (Pacific)	M-6 kg (12 lb)	1.72 kg (3 lb 12 oz)	Puget Sound Washington, USA	Jan. 29, 1984	William J. Harris, DDS
*Cod (Pacific)	M-8 kg (16 lb)	0.71 kg (1 lb 9 oz)	Puget Sound Washington, USA	Jan. 20, 1984	William J. Harris, DDS
Cod (Pacific)	M-8 kg (16 lb)	1.59 kg (3 lb 8 oz)	Puget Sound Washington, USA	Jan. 27, 1984	William J. Harris, Jr.
*Cod (Pacific)	M-10 kg (20 lb)	1.24 kg (2 lb 12 oz)	Puget Sound Washington, USA	Jan. 27, 1984	William J. Harris, DDS
Cod (Pacific)	M-10 kg (20 lb)	1.85 kg (4 lb 1 oz)	Puget Sound Washington, USA	Jan. 28, 1984	William J. Harris, DDS
*Cod (Pacific)	M-15 kg (30 lb)	1.29 kg (2 lb 13 oz)	Puget Sound Washington, USA	Jan. 14, 1984	William J. Harris, DDS
*Cod (Pacific)	M-15 kg (30 lb)	1.52 kg (3 lb 5 oz)	Puget Sound Washington, USA	Jan. 20, 1984	William J. Harris, DDS
Cod (Pacific)	M-15 kg (30 lb)	2.31 kg (5 lb 1 oz)	Puget Sound Washington, USA	Jan. 27, 1984	William J. Harris, Jr.
*Cod (Pacific)	M-24 kg (50 lb)	0.70 kg (1 lb 8 oz)	Puget Sound Washington, USA	Jan. 20, 1984	William J. Harris, DDS

INTERNATIONAL GAME FISH NOTES

'Record' Fishing Season At Pinas Bay, Panama

The end of El Nino signaled a welcome return to good fishing in the Eastern Pacific in 1984, particularly at Pinas Bay, Panama where anglers fishing out of Tropic Star Lodge set five new marlin records since mid-December. Another marlin and two sailfish applications have been submitted to IGFA for approval.

Terri Kittredge of Tropic Star Lodge reports a total of 369 marlin hooked, 189 caught, and 127 sailfish hooked, 78 caught from mid-December to mid-May. The best week was in late January when 27 marlin and 27 sails were caught.

Ms. Kittredge said, "This season has produced more Pacific blue marlin than in past years. The biggest blue was 716 lbs and the biggest black was 627 lbs. We have had reports from captains of at least five marlin over 800 lbs that were lost. Also, we've caught many roosterfish, amberjack, dolphin, rainbow runner, jack, snapper, mackerel and tuna."

Artificial Lures Blank Real Bait in 'Contest'

There was an interesting bit of sideplay on a lighter vein during the Walker's Cay (Bahamas) Billfish Tournament held in April. Someone dreamed up the idea of matching artificial vs. natural bait to see which produced more billfish. The final result: 9-0 in favor of the artificials. In fairness, it must be reported that more anglers wanted to use the plastics (26 boats) than naturals such as mullet, ballyhoo, etc. (12 boats).

Seal Packs Stymie Canada Aquaculture

Rampaging seal packs dealt an unexpected blow to Canada's fledgling aquaculture industry by destroying stocks of salmon and rainbow trout. Fish farmers in the Maritime provinces were the victims of an assault by hundreds of 300-400 lb grey seals.

Out of 15 fish farms along the coast of the Bay of Fundy, more than 11 were hit by the attacks. One firm, Marine Products Ltd., of St. Andrews, New Brunswick, which operates 38 holding cages offshore, had all but 14 "torpedoed", according to *Fish Farming International*.

"The seals ram the netting with their noses and their sheer weight carries them right through," explained Richard McKay, vice-president of operations. He reported \$500,000 in damages and lost stocks. This is the first time in more than 25 years that grey seals have gone on such a rampage. The seal herd has reached more than 40,000 at last count, and marine biologists in Nova Scotia say the herd is increasing at about eight per cent a year since the mid-1960s. The biologists reasoned that a shortage of herring and other fish in the Bay of Fundy caused the seals to turn their attention to the aquaculture operations for food.



PROUD MOMENT—Susan Furman of Great Neck, New York stands beside her 349 lb 8 oz black marlin taken in Pinas Bay, Panama in December for a women's 16-lb line class record.

Soviet Fishing Fleet Gets Help from Spacemen

Two Soviet cosmonauts, with the aid of color-imagery equipment, have reportedly helped to direct Soviet fishing fleet operations in the Atlantic. Cosmonauts Vladimir Lyachov and Alexander Alexandrov reportedly discovered large schools of fish in the Atlantic by using color-imagery cameras while they were stationed in the space orbital station Salyut 7. Their information guided the Soviet fishing fleet to areas where the fish were noted. The Soviet source did not reveal what species of fish were taken, or exactly where.

London Club Invites IGFA Members to Lunch, Meeting

IGFA members and officials attending the World Angling Conference at Cap D'Agde, France, September 12-18 have been invited to visit the Sport Fishing Club of the British Isles in London.

The British club will welcome IGFA members and officials at a luncheon and meeting on September 23 as guests of the club.

Those wishing to attend should contact: Richard J. Wakeford, vice chairman, Knole, Sevenoaks, Kent, TN 15 0RP England, or Dave West, secretary, 1, Langley Walk, Woking, Surrey, GU 22 5UB England.

Australians Focus On Recreational Fishing

Seven Australian fishing organizations have joined forces to form the Australian Recreational Fishing Confederation under the official auspices of the Department of Sport, Recreation and Tourism.

An executive committee is comprised of the following representatives of the various member clubs: President, Graham Pike (Native Fish Australia); Vice-President, Barrie de Flon (Australian Underwater Federation); Secretary, Did Gadsby (Freshwater Fishermens Assembly); Treasurer, Mal Ramsay (Game Fishing Association of Australia); Liaison Officer, Allan Thurbon (Native Fish Australia), and Executive Officers: Ross Garven (Australian Casting Association); Baden Hopgood (Australian Anglers Assn.), and Vic McCristal (Australian National Sportfishing Assn.).

The first project is a national angler survey expected to be completed by September 1984. Another early project is an educational program proposed by Vic McCristal. ARFC hopes to be able to supply kits to be used for coaching aids in both juvenile and adult classes on a national scale.

New Fishing Hot Spot

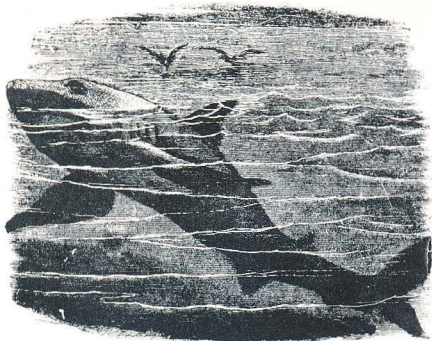
Rod Harrison, field editor for *The Australian Angler's Fishing World*, submits evidence that one of fishing's "best kept secrets" no longer fits that description.

"Lord Howe Island, which is 300 miles off the Australian east coast between Sydney and Brisbane is fast achieving notoriety as one of the top locations in the South Pacific," Harrison told IGFA. "Black, blue and striped marlin are found there, also sailfish and broadbill swordfish. The best billfish so far taken since the place opened up to gamefishing methods has been a 600 lb blue marlin."

He continued, "Southern yellowtail make up the bulk of the Lord Howe fishery. These are in plague proportions and can be taken in large numbers up to 60 lbs by trollers. Much larger fish fall to live baits and anglers using teasing techniques and picking the biggest fish from the pack. Yellowfin tuna, wahoo, dolphin and other game fishes abound in the waters around Lord Howe."



Rod Harrison shows off a 20 lb bonefish to support his claim that fishing is on the upswing at Lord Howe Island.



Returns Are Still Out On Great White's Habits

The movie *Jaws* a few years ago dramatically thrust the great white shark into the public spotlight, a dubious distinction it doesn't deserve, according to shark experts John Casey and Harold Wes Pratt of the National Marine Fisheries Service.

Casey and Pratt have produced statistics to show that the white shark, *Carcharodon carcharias*, is one of the lesser known large sharks of the world's oceans. Details of its distribution and abundance in the Western North Atlantic have been poorly documented. Observations typically consist of one large white shark being caught or engaged by a sport or commercial fisherman.

Because of confusion with basking sharks and makos, identifications have not always been accurate, even when the shark was landed. The authors combined pertinent records from the literature and accounts of fishermen with first-hand observations to clarify the range and distribution of the white shark along the Atlantic coast of North America.

A total of 380 individual white shark records were obtained from: published accounts (88), NMFS sightings (155) and the authors' data (137). The area covered extends from Cuba to northern Newfoundland. Nearly all records are from continental shelf waters (200 feet) with many captures and sightings near shore where depths were less than 75 feet. The number of white sharks was lowest in the most northern and southern parts of the range—the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the Gulf of Mexico-Southeast U.S. regions. The highest number of occurrences were recorded in the Mid-Atlantic Bight (MAB), the area between Cape Hatteras and Cape Cod.

From all available evidence, the white shark is more abundant in the MAB than in any other region in the Western North Atlantic. More young white sharks have been taken there than in any area of comparable size in the world. Historically, a low percentage of white sharks have been taken in recreational and commercial fisheries directed toward large sharks, tunas and swordfish. Longline effort in the MAB shows 45 of 105,123 sharks to be

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Record Number of Fish Studied Under Cooperative Shark Tagging Program

From January through December 1983, a record number of 5,860 fish representing 29 species of sharks and seven species of teleosts (bony fishes) were tagged under the Cooperative Shark Tagging Program. This is the most releases for any year since the program began 20 years ago, according to the annual report of the National Marine Fisheries Service Rhode Island laboratory.

The principal species tagged were blue, sandbar, dusky and mako sharks. U.S. rod and reel fishermen accounted for 46% of the tagging, followed by the U.S. research vessel *Geronimo* (20%), U.S. Fishery Observers on foreign vessels (19%), NMFS and other biologists (8%), U.S. commercial longline vessels (4%) and the Polish research vessel *Wieczno* (3%).

A total of 186 tags were returned in 1983, another record for recaptures in a single year. Tags were recovered from 19 species including blue (78), sandbar (27), shortfin mako (29), lemon (16), other sharks (33), swordfish (2), and marlin (1). U.S. sportfishermen accounted for 30% of the recaptures.

Sixty-nine of the recaptured fish had been tagged by U.S. sportsmen (37%) and 43 were returns from releases by NMFS and other biologists (23%). Most of the recaptures in the biologist category were tagged and recaptured by Dr. Samuel Gruber (University of Miami) in conjunction with his study of the lemon shark.

The higher number of sharks tagged in 1983 compared to previous years, particularly 1982 (4,611), is largely explained by more blue sharks being tagged off New Jersey and New York by sportsmen in June 1983 (531 more than in June 1982), and an increase in releases by foreign fishery observers who tagged 355 more sharks in 1983 than in 1982. The higher number of releases by U.S. fishery observers reflects an increase in their tagging efforts rather than an increase in foreign fishing activity. Actually, a maximum of three Japanese longliners fished in the FCZ in 1983 compared to 18 in 1982. Apart from the pros and cons of allowing foreign fishing in U.S. waters, these vessels represent platforms from which biologists gather information and conduct studies that would not otherwise be possible.

Recaptures included:

Blue sharks recaptured after 2.3 years at liberty and over a maximum distance of 1,787 miles between New York and Barbados. Another long distance recapture came from a blue tagged off the Cape Verde Islands (Africa) that was recaptured two years later off Lisbon, Portugal (1,634 miles). In 1983 NMFS did not recover tags demonstrating transatlantic

movements of blue sharks. Previous tag recaptures have demonstrated some degree of mixing, but whether these represent random movements or purposeful migrations which may change yearly needs to be proven.

Sandbar sharks were recaptured after a record time at liberty of 17.6 years and over a maximum distance of 1,983 miles between southern New England and Mexico. Estimates that sandbar sharks may live to 20 or 30 years may someday be shown to be conservative, according to NMFS biologists. The fastest rates of travel for sandbar sharks were from two that traveled 633 and 871 miles, respectively, and averaged 4.6 and 4.2 miles per day.

Shortfin mako sharks were recaptured after 3.4 years at liberty and over a maximum distance of 400 miles, neither of which is a record from previous data which is 4.7 years and 1,690 miles. Most of the makos were tagged and recaptured in the Middle Atlantic Bight (MAB; Cape Cod to Cape Hatteras) which is likely the region of highest fishing mortality for makos anywhere within their range.

Some other long-term captures were from a **dusky shark** at liberty for 5.5 years, a **sharpnose shark** after six years and a **swordfish** after three years. Long distance recaptures included a record for a **tiger shark** that traveled 1,853 miles from New York to Costa Rica. A **bignose shark** tagged off South Carolina was recaptured off Yucatan, Mexico (1,049 miles). This is the longest distance shown by this species.



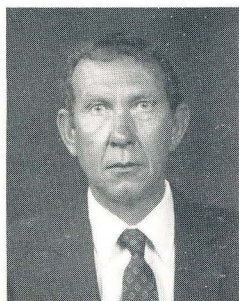
RECORD BARRACUDA—Trolling near Port Michel, Gabon, Africa in January produced this world record great barracuda for Stanka Tuovich of Paris, France. The 32 lb 13 oz fish is a new IGFA women's 16-lb line class record.

NEW REPRESENTATIVES

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naments. Mr. Marshall is a founding member of the Barbados Game Fishing Club (June 1962) and has been president since 1976. One of his duties involves collecting and supplying statistics of club tournaments (number of fish, size, weight, species) to the Ministry of Fisheries (Barbados) and students involved in the study of fishes at the University of West Indies, Barbados.

Jean-Claude Vanson, Republic of Djibouti—Born in Paris, Mr. Vanson recalls that he caught his first fish at age 3



and he has been hooked on the sport since that early age. He named his son Caragh after the Caragh River in Ireland where he caught his first salmon. He holds a doctorate of law degree from the University of Law in Paris, and a business degree from Memphis State College in the United States. As a student at Memphis State, Mr. Vanson earned a living by writing for fishing magazines. He authored a book *The Black Bass* soon after leaving the U.S.A. He fishes regularly for salmon in Scotland, Spain and Ireland, where he owns a cottage facing a salmon pool on the Caragh River. Angling is superb in Djibouti, he reports, "with sailfish much bigger in this part of the world than in the Atlantic Ocean, and they are plentiful." Mr. Vanson, general manager of Mobil Oil Djibouti, is president of the Espadon Club of Djibouti which specializes in seeking sailfish.

Grant W. Pereira, Singapore—At the age of 15, Mr. Pereira started fishing from the jetties and on the beaches of Singapore. He has expanded his fishing trips to include such places as Australia, Fiji, Canada, United States, Hawaii, Burma, Indonesia and Thailand. He is a founding member of the Pioneer Angling Club, the first and only registered fishing club in Singapore, although there are 10 small clubs operating under the auspices of a larger sports organization. "We fish every weekend throughout the year with the exception of November-January when the northeast monsoon makes it too dangerous to go to sea," he reported. "Besides trips around Singapore, we fish once a month at the South



China Sea, and twice a year, usually in February and October, a 10-day trip is arranged at either the Endau River or the Pahang National Park. The Pahang trip is the highlight of the year's fishing activities and it is arranged to coincide with the school holidays so that junior members can tag along."

Andrés Von Döhren S., Vina del Mar, Chile—At one time in his illustrious fishing career, Mr. Von Döhren was recognized



as national champion of Chile for both fresh and saltwater angling. That was in 1957 when he won the Lake Laja Trout Fishing Tournament and the National Tournament for Sierra (mack-

erel). He entered organized fishing in 1936 by joining Club de Pesca y Casa "Valparaíso", and has competed internationally with great success. Mr. Von Döhren served as president for Club de Pesca y Casa "Valparaíso" and held numerous other offices for the club. In 1958 the club awarded the "Gold Emblem" to him for his contributions and work. Since 1976 Mr. Von Döhren has been president of Association Provincial y Regional de Pesca, Caza y Lanzamiento "Valparaíso". He founded the exclusive "Marlin Club" limited to 20 expert anglers. The native Chilean pioneered surf fishing with rod and reel in his country, and he teaches fly fishing to groups upon request. Mr. Von Döhren believes the motto "Take a Child Fishing" is basic to sports.

W.F. (Bill) White, New Brunswick, Canada—A noted outdoor writer and sportsman, Mr. White has been a leader in promoting fishing in New Brunswick. An ardent small-mouth bass angler, in 1980 he initiated the Mactaquac "Big Bass Tournament" which has popularized the species in southwestern New Brunswick with both residents and visitors. Expert fishermen Lefty Kreh and Ray Scott are among the many who now recognize the area's claim of "the best smallmouth bass fishing on the continent." In 1980 Mr. White retired at age 42 as president of a deep sea diving firm. He resides with his wife Elizabeth and sons Richard and Christopher at the edge of Mactaquac Lake, 20 miles from the capitol city, Fredericton. Mr. White writes a weekly outdoor column "Fishing Lines" for four New Brunswick newspapers, and broadcasts a weekly out-



TWO RECORDS IN ONE DAY—Brian Stewart Taylor of Paignton, South Devon, England, is no beginner when it comes to catching world record pollack. Fishing in his favorite spot over an old wreck near Brixham, Devon on February 15, Taylor caught a 17 lb 1 oz pollack on 8-lb line, and a 13 lb 5 oz pollack on 4-lb line for two new line class records. He has held five other IGFA marks.

GREAT WHITE SHARKS

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white sharks (1:2,336). The ratio of whites to other sharks in the Florida shark fishery during the 1940's and '50's was 1:3,704. Shark fishing tournaments off New York and New Jersey during the past 20 years reveals 26 of 5,465 sharks to be whites, a surprising 1:210.

Regardless of their size, white sharks are more likely to occur singly or as scattered, unassociated individuals over several square kilometers. Although fishermen claim to have encountered white sharks exceeding 25-30 feet, none was verified. The longest captured white shark was 21 feet taken off Cuba in 1945. The two largest white sharks examined by Casey and Pratt were under 17 feet and weighed 2,778 and 2,743 pounds. Although the presence of sharks should not be taken lightly, the white shark has failed to live up to its sinister reputation off New Jersey and New York where only one shark attack (that by an unknown species) has been documented in the past 20 years.

door feature for CBC radio. Director of the Outdoor Writers of Canada, his articles have appeared in *Field and Stream* and *Outdoor Canada*.

SALTWATER

*Cod (Pacific)	M-24 kg (50 lb)	1.77 kg (3 lb 14 oz)	Puget Sound Washington, USA	Feb. 2, 1984	William J. Harris, DDS
Cod (Pacific)	M-24 kg (50 lb)	2.63 kg (5 lb 12 oz)	Puget Sound Washington, USA	Feb. 14, 1984	William J. Harris, DDS
Drum (black)	W-2 kg (4 lb)	2.04 kg (4 lb 8 oz)	Melbourne Beach Florida, USA	Jan. 30, 1984	Barbara S. Arthur
Drum (red)	M-1 kg (2 lb)	4.54 kg (10 lb)	Titusville Florida, USA	Feb. 4, 1984	Robert J. Cook
Jack (crevalle)	M-2 kg (4 lb)	6.46 kg (14 lb 4 oz)	Key West Florida, USA	Feb. 16, 1984	Jim Anson
Jack (crevalle)	M-8 kg (16 lb)	16.30 kg (35 lb 14 oz)	Port Michel Gabon, Africa	Jan. 19, 1984	Jacques Piveteau
Jack (Pacific crevalle)	M-1 kg (2 lb)	2.49 kg (5 lb 8 oz)	Club Pacifico Panama	Jan. 17, 1984	Michael Hanes
Jack (Pacific crevalle)	M-10 kg (20 lb)	4.02 kg (8 lb 14 oz)	Zihuatanejo Mexico	Jan. 8, 1984	Tony A. Pena
*Jack (Pacific crevalle)	W-10 kg (20 lb)	3.68 kg (8 lb 2 oz)	Zihuatanejo Mexico	Jan. 8, 1984	Virginia T. Pena
Jack (Pacific crevalle)	W-10 kg (20 lb)	6.35 kg (14 lb)	Zihuatanejo Mexico	Jan. 11, 1984	Virginia T. Pena
Jack (Pacific crevalle)	M-15 kg (30 lb)	7.08 kg (15 lb 10 oz)	Zihuatanejo Mexico	Jan. 8, 1984	Tony A. Pena
Jack (Pacific crevalle)	M-15 kg (30 lb)	7.37 kg (16 lb 4 oz)	Zihuatanejo Mexico	Jan. 8, 1984	Virginia T. Pena
Mackerel (king)	M-1 kg (2 lb)	2.38 kg (5 lb 4 oz)	Key West Florida, USA	Jan. 28, 1984	Robert M. McCollum
Mackerel (king)	W-1 kg (2 lb)	2.15 kg (4 lb 12 oz)	Key West Florida, USA	Jan. 29, 1984	Deborah L. McCollum
*Mackerel (king)	W-2 kg (4 lb)	3.51 kg (7 lb 12 oz)	Key West Florida, USA	Jan. 15, 1984	Yvonne Todd Brien
*Mackerel (king)	W-2 kg (4 lb)	3.85 kg (8 lb 8 oz)	Key West Florida, USA	Jan. 16, 1984	Beverly M. Felisian
Mackerel (king)	W-2 kg (4 lb)	4.42 kg (9 lb 12 oz)	Key West Florida, USA	Jan. 29, 1984	Deborah L. McCollum
*Marlin (black)	W-8 kg (16 lb)	158.53 kg (349 lb 8 oz)	Pinas Bay Panama	Dec. 18, 1984	Susan M. Furman
Marlin (black)	W-8 kg (16 lb)	165.10 kg (364 lb)	Pinas Bay Panama	Feb. 8, 1984	Terri Kittredge
Pollack	M-2 kg (4 lb)	6.03 kg (13 lb 5 oz)	Brixham, Devon England, UK	Feb. 15, 1984	Brian Stewart Taylor
Pollack	M-4 kg (8 lb)	7.73 kg (17 lb 1 oz)	Brixham, Devon England, UK	Feb. 15, 1984	Brian Stewart Taylor
Pollack	M-10 kg (20 lb)	8.84 kg (19 lb 8 oz)	Dartmouth, Devon England	Feb. 10, 1984	W. H. Saunders
Pompano (African)	W-10 kg (20 lb)	15.42 kg (34 lb)	Hobe Sound Florida, USA	Jan. 30, 1984	Gladys P. Dickson
Pompano (Africa)	M-15 kg (30 lb)	17.80 kg (39 lb 4 oz)	Ft. Pierce Florida, USA	Feb. 4, 1984	Luke Cain, Jr.
Roosterfish	M-1 kg (2 lb)	4.42 kg (9 lb 12 oz)	Club Pacifico Panama	Jan. 17, 1984	Michael Hanes
Runner (rainbow)	W-2 kg (4 lb)	2.95 kg (6 lb 8 oz)	Palm Beach Florida, USA	Feb. 2, 1984	Joan M. Garisto
Shark (hammerhead)	M-2 kg (4 lb)	3.68 kg (8 lb 2 oz)	Biscayne Bay Miami, Florida, USA	Jan. 27, 1984	Max L. Kamerman
Snapper (cubera)	M-4 kg (8 lb)	2.60 kg (5 lb 12 oz)	Club Pacifico Panama	Jan. 20, 1984	Michael Hanes
Snapper (cubera)	M-8 kg (16 lb)	7.70 kg (17 lb 3 oz)	Club Pacifico Panama	Jan. 19, 1984	Michael Hanes
Tarpon	W-37 kg (80 lb)	99 kg (218 lb 4 oz)	Port Michel Gabon, Africa	Jan. 12, 1984	Jeaninne Dupuy
Trevally (bigeye)	M-10 kg (20 lb)	0.51 kg (1 lb 2 oz)	Zihuatanejo Mexico	Jan. 10, 1984	Tony A. Pena
Trevally (bigeye)	All tackle & W-15 kg (30 lb)	6.80 kg (15 lb)	Club Pacifico Isla Coiba, Panama	Jan. 18, 1984	Sally S. Timms
Trevally (giant)	M-4 kg (8 lb)	18.75 kg (41 lb 5 oz)	Port Hedland Australia	Jan. 7, 1984	Ian Hornhardt
Tuna (dogtooth)	M-6 kg (12 lb)	36.50 kg (80 lb 7 oz)	Myrmidon Reef Townsville, Australia	Nov. 5, 1983	Peter O'Brien
Tunny (little)	M-1 kg (2 lb)	3.06 kg (6 lb 12 oz)	Key West Florida, USA	Jan. 7, 1984	Robert M. McCollum
Yellowtail (southern)	M-8 kg (16 lb)	28.50 kg (62 lb 13 oz)	Waihoke Channel Auckland, New Zealand	Jan. 21, 1984	Brian Coyle
Yellowtail (southern)	M-15 kg (30 lb)	52.00 kg (114 lb 10 oz)	Tauranga New Zealand	Feb. 5, 1984	Mike Godfrey

SALTWATER FLYROD

SPECIES	TIPPET CLASS	WEIGHT	PLACE	DATE	ANGLER
Cobia	2 kg (4 lb)	12.13 kg (26 lb 12 oz)	Key West Florida, USA	Feb. 4, 1984	Pete Peacock
Shark (mako)	4 kg (8 lb)	17.00 kg (37 lb 7 oz)	Mt. Maunganui New Zealand	Jan. 25, 1984	Billy Pate
*Shark (mako)	8 kg (16 lb)	15.75 kg (34 lb 11 oz)	Whale Island Whakatane, New Zealand	Jan. 17, 1984	Billy Pate
Shark (mako)	8 kg (16 lb)	29.50 kg (65 lb)	Whakatane New Zealand	Jan. 21, 1984	Billy Pate

*Records marked with an asterisk have been defeated.

M = Men's Records

W = Women's Records

New Artificial Reef Off Florida Coast

The largest artificial fishing reef on the east coast of the United States was established on March 31, 1984 with the sinking of the freighter "Mazon" a mile-and-a-half offshore from Pompano Beach, Florida. The 435-foot ship's disappearance into 210 feet of water culminated a year-long effort by the sponsoring Pompano Beach Fishing Rodeo.

The reef will be known as the "Lowrance Reef" after Lowrance Electronics, Inc. of Tulsa, Oklahoma, which provided a \$20,000 grant.

A festive Saturday afternoon crowd of 800 boats, the Goodyear blimp and half a dozen helicopters turned out to bid a final bon voyage to the old "Mazon". The U.S. Navy demolition team used 245 pounds of high explosives to sink the vessel which was built in Canada in 1951 and once hauled coffee, agricultural and tobacco products from its home base in Colombia, South America.

Environmentally, artificial reefs increase the overall biomass of the offshore environment by providing a surface for coral, sponge and algae growth, and areas for rearing, nesting and predation for fish and all types of marine organisms. This, in turn, attracts game fishes which have



The Freighter "Mazon" before her burial at sea.

been impacted by loss of natural habitat and increased fishing activity.

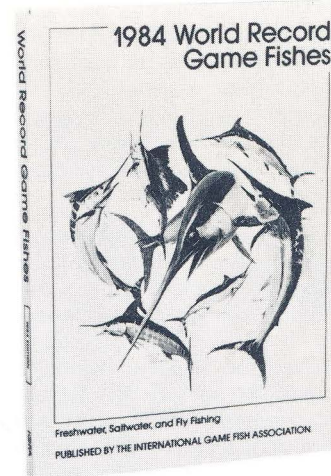
The first documented construction of artificial fishing reefs in the United States took place in South Carolina in the early 1830s. These first reefs were built from oak and pine branches weighted down with rocks. They were designed by fishermen eager to bring back the once plentiful sheepshead to the waters. Today, artificial reefs are used in every coastal state in the U.S. to enhance recreational angling. The U.S. Congress is considering a bill that could provide additional artificial reefs. Representative E. Clay Shaw of Fort Lauderdale has proposed legislation that would turn over vessels seized by U.S. Customs officials in drug cases to states for disposal. Those with no value afloat would be sunk as artificial reefs.

At present the Japanese are leading the field in artificial reef technology because of a broad government support and a society which places a high demand on its fisheries. The Japanese have developed a system of multi-million-dollar reefs which yield an abundance of fish.

Before being towed to the reef site, the "Mazon" was cleaned of oil and debris by volunteer workers to make it environmentally safe. The freighter, 55 feet wide with a 65-foot high superstructure, should provide an excellent fishing reef for 100 years or more. Full benefit is expected to be realized in about a year when it will be coated with marine growth. Within weeks fishermen were reporting catches in the area of the "Mazon". Just eight days after the sinking, a 57-lb amberjack was caught. Divers said they could see schools of curious fish hanging around the wreck. Grouper, snapper, bonito, wahoo, cobia and a 40-lb sailfish have been taken by charterboat anglers over the reef.



IT'S A LUNKER—Don Hunter of Ndola, Zambia, Africa hit the jackpot with this huge tigerfish taken from Lake Tanganyika in Zambia. Hunter established a new IGFA record for 12-lb line class, and topped the all-tackle record with this 61 lb 11 oz fish. He needed 30 minutes to subdue the tigerfish.



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Lake Flies and Their Imitation

C.F. Walker. Andre Deutsch, David & Charles, Inc. (North Pomfret, Vermont 05053), 1984, 190 pp., \$12.95 paper.

When this book first appeared in 1960, it was the first study of insects of still waters written specifically for anglers. Two decades later C.F. Walker's work has become a prized rarity. This first reprint will teach a new generation of anglers about the life of the creatures on which trout must feed.

The Compleat Brown Trout

Cecil E. Heacox. Winchester Press (220 Old New Brunswick Road, Piscataway, NJ 08854), 1984, 224 pp., illustrated, \$12.95 paper.

Originally published in 1974, this book has been difficult to obtain in recent years. This is a new, high-quality paperback edition with the original drawings, diagrams and full-color paintings by Wayne Trimm, an eminent wildlife artist and biologist. The year 1983 marked the centennial of the introduction of the brown trout in North America. The classic trout of Europe has become an American favorite, too.

A Summer on the Test

John Waller Hills, and

Where the Bright Waters Meet

Harry Plunket-Greene. Winchester Press (220 Old New Brunswick Road, Piscataway, NJ 08854), 1984, 271 pp., and 210 pp., illustrated, \$9.95 each, paper.

These books are the first in a series of reprints of British and American fly-fishing classics, most of which, like these two, command premium prices in the rare-book market. *A Summer on the Test* is a subtle blend of exquisite prose and shrewd practical advice about fishing England's most famous chalk stream; the acute perceptions should be of great interest to fly fishermen everywhere. *Where the Bright Waters Meet* is a rare treat. The author was a concert singer and passionate angler. This memoir conveys his sense of humor, his love of harmless practical jokes, and the intense pleasure to be found along the rivers.

Native Trout of North America

Robert H. Smith. Frank Amato Publications (P.O. Box 02112, Portland, Oregon 97202), 1984, 144 pp., illustrated, \$28 hardbound, \$15 paper, \$1 postage and handling.

The author takes you on an informative journey from New Hampshire to Oregon and Mexico to Alaska as he relates the



SMILE OF VICTORY—Mike Godfrey of Tauranga, New Zealand looks pleased as he shows off his world record 114 lb 10 oz southern yellowtail. Godfrey caught the prize on 30-lb line last February while drift-fishing off Tauranga, New Zealand.

highlights, adventures and discoveries concerning the elusive native trout species and their habitat. A combination of information and humor is well blended.

While You Wait

Cliff Hauptman. Winchester Press (220 Old New Brunswick Road, Piscataway, NJ 08854), 1984, 208 pp., illustrated, \$9.95 paper.

This handy field guide follows the seasons of the year with more than 80 brief one-page stories that make the hunter/fisherman closer to his surroundings.

Massachusetts Sportsman's Guide

Curt Garfield, editor. Porcupine Enterprises, (106 Woodside Road, Sudbury, MA 01776), 1984, 64 pp., illustrated, \$1 paper.

An excellent source of fishing and hunting information for all of Massachusetts, the guide contains detailed charts and maps, "where to and how to" sections, and the best time to fish and hunt for your favorite quarry.

Fresh Water Fishing Rigs

Vlad Evanoff. Catchmore (P.O. Box 9032, Coral Springs, FL 33075), 1984, 44 pp., illustrated, \$3 paper.

This small book designed to fit a tackle box or other small compartment describes and illustrates 78 rigs used for trout, salmon, steelhead, bass, pike, muskies, walleyes, shad, catfish and panfish. Rigs used in freshwater bottom fishing, trolling and casting are shown clearly for easy tying.

The Dinghy Book

William Atkin. Atkin and Company (P.O. Box 3005, Noroton, Conn. 06820), 1984, 36 pp., illustrated, \$6, plus \$1 postage and

handling, paper.

John Atkin has re-published his late father's book which was so popular 60 years ago. It contains complete building plans, including tables of offsets, and easy to follow instructions for each of 10 dinghies. These designs have withstood the test of time and are still practical and seaworthy.

Where To Fish 1984-85

D.A. Orton. Thomas Harmsworth Publishing (13 Nicosia Road, London, SW18 3RN) 1984, 476 pp., illustrated, GB 8.95 pounds.

An encyclopedic-type reference book, this 79th edition includes photographs of anglers in action in all parts of the world. Emphasis is on fishing in the British Isles, and there's a comprehensive directory of angling facilities.

L.L. Bean Fly-Fishing Handbook

Dave Whitlock. Winchester Press (220 Old New Brunswick Road, Piscataway, NJ 08854) 1984, 112 pp., illustrated, \$8.95 paper.

This handbook is a down-to-earth and highly practical introduction to fly-fishing by one of the sport's foremost experts and instructors. It covers the basic skills of fly-casting, choice of tackle and fly tying, tips on safety and a useful glossary of fly-fishing terms.

Fish & Game Forecaster

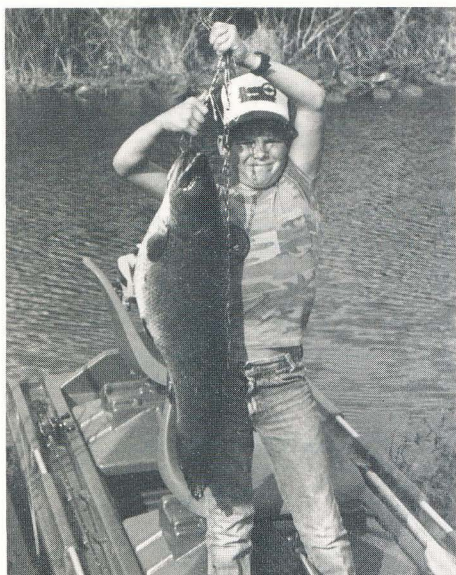
Data Sport, Inc. (7601 Washington Ave. So., Edina, MN 55435) 1984, 133 pp., illustrated, \$5.95, paper.

A detailed, day-by-day forecaster for fishing and hunting covering all areas of the United States, the handy guide promises to pinpoint best times for fishing.



BEGINNER'S LUCK—Jeffrey Mathews of Redlands, California claims to be a newcomer to fishing. His lucky day came last February during an outing on Lake Perris near his home when he hooked this 9 lb spotted bass. Jeffrey tied the all-tackle world record and set a 6-lb line class world record.

Tournament News



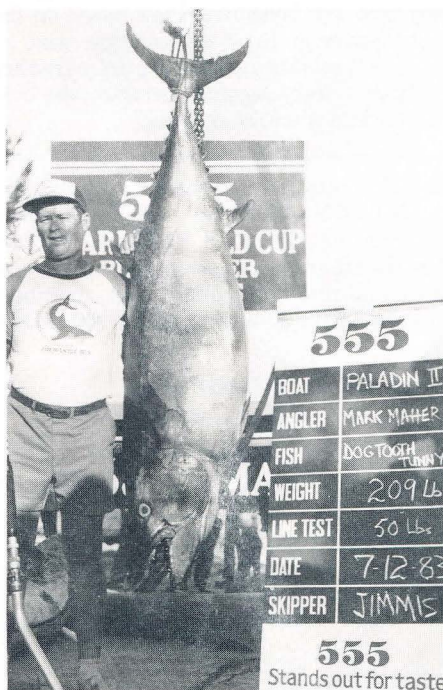
BIG BOWFIN—Edward Jennings Jr. of North Palm Beach, Florida was bass-fishing with shiners in the Kissimmee River last February when this 12 lb 8 oz bowfin struck for a 30-lb line class record.

New Member Clubs

- Alachua Fish Club**, High Springs, Florida, USA
- Albatross Fish Club**, Tokyo, Japan
- Bulawayo Light Tackle Club**, Bulawayo, Zimbabwe, Africa
- Canadian Princess Fishing Charters Club**, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada
- Centre de Peche Sportive Palavasien**, Palavas, France
- Deep Sea Charters Fishing Club**, Westport, Washington, USA
- Green Turtle Yacht Club**, Palm Beach, Florida, USA
- Interessengemeinschaft für Grossfischangler**, Berlin, West Germany
- Kona Marlin Club**, Indian Wells, California, USA
- Japan Game Fish Club**, Tokyo, Japan
- Marabell Fishing Charters Club**, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada
- Mermaid Surf Anglers' Club**, Tokyo, Japan
- Midwest Anglers of Chicago**, Chicago, Illinois, USA
- Minnesota Northern Pike Association**, St. Paul, Minnesota, USA
- National Anglers Union of Zimbabwe**, Harare, Zimbabwe, Africa
- Saltwater Fly Loders' Club**, Tokyo, Japan
- Shukan Tsuru Sunday Club**, Osaka, Japan
- Southwest Anglers**, Cerritos, California, USA
- Takachiyo Club**, Tokyo, Japan
- Vilgo Club**, Tokyo, Japan

FLORIDA, USA—Pompano Beach: A total of 819 anglers on 387 boats took part in the annual Pompano Beach Fishing Rodeo May 18-20. The three-day total catch was five blue marlin, two white marlin, 124 sailfish, 26 kingfish, 174 dolphin and 12 wahoo. Rodeo records were broken for heaviest blue marlin (287 pounds by Lou Skulnik of New Jersey), dolphin (53½ pounds) and wahoo (62½ pounds). John Roth of Winter Springs, Florida was top angler with 412 points for two blue marlin weighing 226½ and 162 pounds and a 23½ pound dolphin. Victory was worth \$10,000. Ed Shadoin of Pompano Beach landed a sailfish and white marlin on opening day and appeared headed for a \$100,000 grand slam prize. However, he failed to latch onto the final leg of his "slam"—a blue marlin.

PORT LOUIS, MAURITIUS—The second edition of the 555 Marlin World Cup big game fishing competition attracted 14 teams from Botswana, France, South Africa, Australia and Mauritius. The winning team was the Port Alfred Ski Boat Club from Botswana with Captain Peter Denniss and team members Tony Graham and Geoff Randall. A total of 13 billfish were boated from 36 strikes during the five fishing days. Caught were 10 blue marlin (largest 746 lbs by Randall), two black marlin and one spearfish (33 lbs). The 1984 event will be held Dec. 1-8.



WORLD RECORD IN TOURNAMENT—Mark Maher of Australia shows off his 209 lb dogtooth tuna, a 50-lb line class world record, caught during competition in the 555 Marlin World Cup tournament at Mauritius.



Paul Foisy, 10, holds up his winning kingfish in the junior drift-fishing division of the Pompano Beach Fishing Rodeo.

CHUB CAY, BAHAMAS—Eric and Mary Dean Schaumloffel of Cincinnati, Ohio caught and released three blue marlin and one sailfish aboard the boat Unchained to win the second annual Anglers Invitational Tournament at Chub Cay. Second place went to Woody Kelly of Bristol, Wisconsin, aboard Indulgence. The tournament saw 27 blue marlin, 30 white marlin and five sailfish counted for scoring by the 30 boats entered in the five-day event, but only one fish was boated.

PHUKET, THAILAND—The eighth Asian Game Fish Competition, sponsored by the Japan Game Fish Association, attracted 21 teams from Norway, West Germany, Japan, Philippines, Singapore and Thailand. The host team from Thailand ended up in first place as a total of 67 fishes weighing 69 lbs were caught during the four days of fishing.



Thailand team member carries winning sailfish ashore during annual Asian Game Fish Competition.

Conservationists Laud Canada's Salmon Plan

The Atlantic Salmon Federation's (ASF) executive director, Wilfred Carter, has described Canada's 1984 Atlantic Salmon Management Plan as "courageous conservation action."

Carter said in the ASF's May newsletter, "At last we have a fisheries minister who understands the serious state of Atlantic salmon stocks and is prepared to begin a program of restraint and rehabilitation."

The Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada salmon plan presented by Federal Minister Pierre de Bane included a three-week opening delay in the Newfoundland Atlantic salmon commercial fishing season, and a grilse-only fishery in all four Atlantic provinces. The grilse-only fishery will be in effect in New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Nova

Scotia and Prince Edward Island, with mandatory release of large salmon (over 63 cm, 24.8 inches from tip of nose to fork in tail, or over 2.7 kg, 5.95 lbs.)

A daily limit of two and a seasonal limit of 10 will be enforced everywhere except Newfoundland (daily limit two, no seasonal limit.) The number of angling licenses has been frozen at 1983 levels. Tagging will be enforced everywhere except Newfoundland, which is expected to implement a program by 1985.

Commercial fishermen have protested the shortened season. Also, no new commercial salmon fishing licenses will be issued. The program of austerity is expected to result in a 50 to 80 percent drop in the 1984 salmon catch in the Maritime provinces, according to the ASF.

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